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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir

Applicants hereby respond to the final office action dated September 10, 2003 that issued in connection with the above-referenced matter. Accompanying this response are a petition for a two-month extension of time and the requisite fee. Also accompanying this response are a Declaration from Dr. Halldis Hellebust ("Hellebust Declaration"), and a Notice of Appeal and the requisite fee.

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